

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A seatbelt device, comprising:
a pretensioner configured to cooperate with an anchor;
wherein said pretensioner includes a connector portion, the connector portion including a pulley configured for a wire to pass over, and
wherein the anchor is configured to be inserted into and engaged with said connector portion; and
wherein said connector portion includes a latch mechanism for engaging said anchor with the connector portion, and a disengagement prevention mechanism for preventing disengagement between said connector portion and said anchor in the event that a force acts upon said connector portion in a direction that urges disengagement of the connector portion and the anchor, and when the pretensioner generates gas in event of an emergency, the wire is configured to pull the connector portion in a direction towards a bracket.
2. (Original) The device of Claim 1, wherein said latch mechanism comprises a latch for engaging said anchor with said connector portion and an elastic pressing member for pressing said latch in the direction of engagement between said anchor and said connector portion.
3. (Original) The device of Claim 2, wherein said disengagement prevention mechanism comprises an elastic prevention member for engaging with said latch and preventing said latch from moving in the direction of disengagement of said anchor and said connector portion.
4. (Original) The device of Claim 3, wherein said elastic pressing member and said elastic prevention member are both formed of leaf springs.
5. (Currently Amended) A device for protecting an occupant of a vehicle comprising:

a seatbelt;

an anchor connected to a lap belt portion of the seat belt for securing the lap belt portion of the seat belt to the vehicle;

a pretensioner engaged with the anchor, wherein said pretensioner includes a connector portion, the connector portion including a pulley configured for a wire to pass over and when the pretensioner generates gas in event of an emergency, the wire is configured to pull the connector portion in a direction towards a bracket;

a first elastic member positioned and configured to urge the anchor and the pretensioner to remain engaged; and

a second elastic member positioned to prevent the pretensioner and the anchor from being disengaged when a force is applied to the seatbelt in the event that the vehicle is involved in a collision.

6. (Original) The device of Claim 5, wherein the elastic members are leaf springs.
7. (Original) The device of Claim 5, further comprising a tongue connected to the seat belt.
8. (Previously Presented) The device of Claim 7, further comprising a buckle for receiving the tongue when the seat belt is worn by the occupant.
9. (Previously Presented) The device of Claim 5, further comprising a retractor for winding the seatbelt around a spool when the seatbelt is not being worn by the occupant.

10. (New) A seatbelt device, comprising:

a pretensioner configured to cooperate with an anchor, wherein said pretensioner includes a connector portion; and

an inner cover with one end attached to the connector portion and an opposite end attached to a wire holder,

wherein the anchor is configured to be inserted into and engaged with said connector portion; and

wherein said connector portion includes a latch mechanism for engaging said anchor with the connector portion, and a disengagement prevention mechanism for preventing

disengagement between said connector portion and said anchor in the event that a force acts upon said connector portion in a direction that urges disengagement of the connector portion and the anchor.